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SUBJ: LOS; POSSIBLE INVITATION TO PRG TO ATTEND LOS CONFERENCE

REF: STATE 223777; USUN 4689; STATE 221353

1. POLITICAL COUNSELOR AFTERNOON NOVEMBER 13 DISCUSSED AT LENGTH MATTER OF INVITATION TO PRG WITH DR. EMILLIO FIGUEREDO, NEWLY-APPOINTED GOV COORDINATOR FOR 1974 LOS CONFERENCE AND RANKING AVAILABLE FONOFF OFFICIAL COGNIZANT OF LOS MATTERS, USING ARGUMENTATION DESCRIBED IN PARA 1 OF USUN 4689 AND IN PARAS 3 AND 4 OF STATE 221353. POL COUNSELOR EMPHASIZED HARMFUL EFFECT PRG ISSUE COULD PRODUCE UPON GOV'S PREPARATIONS FOR AND REALIZATION OF LOS CONFERENCE, RECOGNIZED GOV'S SPECIAL POSITION AS HOST COUNTRY, BUT URGED THE GOV TO HELP NIP IN THE BUD THIS POTENTIALLY VERY TROUBLE-SOME PROBLEM BY VOTING AGAINST EXTENDING AN INVITATION TO THE PRG TO ATTEND THE LOS CONFERENCE.

2. FIGUEREDO LISTENED ATTENTIVELY AND ACKNOWLEDGED THAT HE WAS FAMILIAR WITH THE RATIONALE FOR THE US POSITION ON THE MATTER. HE STATED THAT WHILE THE GOV WAS VERY ANXIOUS FOR THE CONFERENCE TO BE A SUCCESS, AS THE HOST COUNTRY THE GOV WOULD PREFER NOT TO TAKE A STAND ON CONTROVERSIAL PROBLEMS RELATING TO PROCEDURE.
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POL COUNSELOR OBSERVED THAT THE GOV WILL HAVE PROBLEMS ENOUGH IN

HOSTING THE CONFERENCE, AND THAT IT WOULD BE IN THE INTERESTS OF ALL CONCERNED IF PRG INVITATION COULD BE DISPOSED OF AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE TO ALLOW THE PREPARATORY WORK OF THE CONFERENCE TO GO

FORWARD AS SMOOTHLY AS POSSIBLE. FIGUEREDO SAID HE APPRECIATED RECEIVING THE US VIEWS ON THE MATTER, THAT THEY WOULD SURELY BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT WHEN THE GOV DECIDES HOW WILL VOTE BUT THAT HE COULD NOT AT THIS POINT PROMISE HOW THE GOV WILL VOTE WHEN THE MATTER ARISES IN THE UNGA.
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